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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING HELD MONDAY EVENING—ROUTINE WORK TRANSACTED

GOOD ROADS ASS'N. REPORT

Good Roads and Auto Association Ask Co-Operation in Their Important Work.

The City Council of the City of Snyder met on the evening of May 7th with Mayor E. P. Smith presiding. The following city officials were present: O. P. Wolfe, marshal, A. Johnston, Sec. and Aldermen F. V. Clark, T. J. Blackburn, J. W. Massey, J. J. Burnett, and Joe Caston.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and the last called meeting and the called meeting of March 22, were read and approved. The minutes of last meeting showed a balance in the checking fund of \$452.22. Collections: O. P. Wolfe, monthly collections \$92.73; Lewis Blackard, auto permit \$1.00; Total \$756.95.

The following accounts were allowed and ordered paid:

O. P. Wolfe, salary	\$100.00
W. T. Thompson, warrant	
No. 1916	200.00
P. M. Hollis, salary	10.00
Geo. Espley, salary	10.00
E. F. Smith, mayor	2.00
F. V. Clark, alderman	2.00
T. J. Blackburn, alderman	2.00
J. W. Massey, alderman	2.00
J. J. Burnett, alderman	2.00
A. Johnston, secretary	12.50
Snyder J. & E. Co. lights	58.45
Jack Gibson, crem. work	2.82
Gulf Refining Co. oil	1.40
A. C. Washberry, street work	9.60
H. L. Boston, street work	4.38
C. W. Auer, drill well	43.00
B. Byrd, crematory work	1.00
Otto McKelvey, crem work	1.00
A. T. Smith, crem. work	1.00
Will Brown, digging ditch	10.00
J. W. Green, street work	19.20
Snyder Printing Company	
printing cards	2.00
W. A. Chapman, drayage	.50
C. E. Perkins, Atty. Fee.	10.00
Jas. L. Spiller, Atty. Fee.	10.00
W. L. Blackburn, st. work	5.75
S. W. Tel. Co. phone	6.55
Hargreaves Printing Co.	
tax rolls	7.50
Snyder signal, printing	
notices	2.00
Total disbursements	\$542.45
Balance	\$214.50

The following accounts were allowed from the Water and Sewer Department fund:

Snyder I & E Co. pumping	128.25
Pittsburg Meter Co.	
meters	141.00
H. O. Wade, float ball and goose-neck	1.40
Townsend-Oldham Co. hose	1.80
Blackard Bros. water and sewer supplies	4.45
E. H. Higginbotham, exp. sewer and water dept.	50.00
J. J. Pope, exp. septic tank	12.60

Mr. Robinson met with the council and made a report of the Scurry County Good Roads and Auto Association in the county and city and asked the co-operation of the city officials in their work.

Motion made and carried that the council express its thanks to the above association for the work done within the city.

Fire Chief Wilmett made report of the condition of the fire hose and recommended that the council buy 500 feet of new hose and investigate the possibility of having the old hose re-lined. Motion prevailed that the recommendation be received by the council.

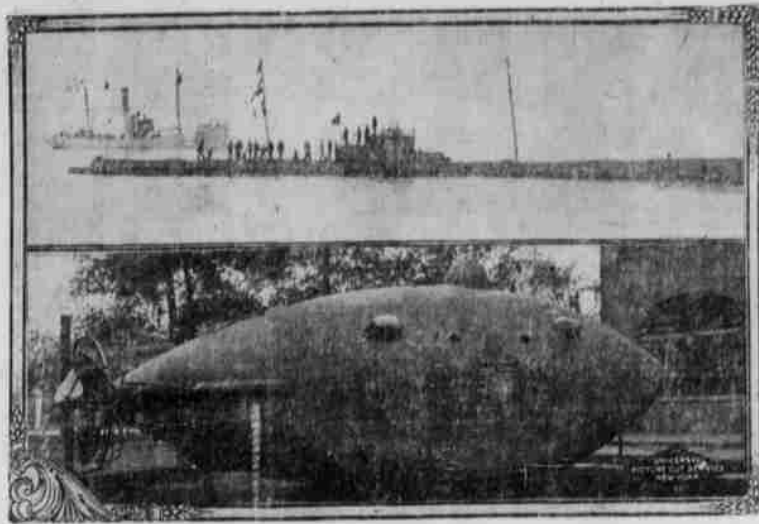
Motion made and seconded that the council buy 300 feet of hose from the Eureka Fire Hose Co., of Dallas, on their usual terms. Vote being taken the Mayor declared it duly carried.

Upon motion duly carried, the fire chief was instructed to clean the hose once a month.

The monthly report of O. P. Wolfe was filed and approved by the Finance Committee.

Upon motion and second, duly carried by a vote of the Council, the

The Evolution of the Modern Submarine Menace



BRO. EGBEE RESIGNS A GOOD RAIN CAME SCHOOLS MERGED

WILL MOVE WITH FAMILY TO QUANAH WHERE HE HAS ACCEPTED WORK

Rev. J. C. Egbee who recently resigned the pastorate of the Presbyterian church in Snyder returned Tuesday from Quanah at which place he has accepted the pastorate of the Presbyterian church and will move his family to that town in a few weeks.

Brother Egbee is a good man, a faithful consecrated minister and has made many friends during his residence in Snyder. Our people will regret to see him and his good family move away though will be glad to know that it is for betterment of their affairs.

LONDON LADY VISITS MOTHER IN SNYDER

Mrs. Alta Canning, daughter of Mrs. I. W. Wason and sister of Mrs. P. Benbenek arrived here a few days ago from London to visit her people after an absence of about two years.

She came over in the same ship with the Balfour party of Britons who came to confer with the American people over the war situation. She says the ship came around by way of Halifax, so as to avoid submarine trouble and precautions were taken to keep secret her course and locality.

Mrs. Canning is the wife of Lieut. Canning of the English army, now supposed to be engaged in the great battle on the west front in France. She has had no direct word from him in several weeks.

The lady says the people in England are not excited over the war. They take life easy and go about their business affairs as though there were no war going on. Most of them seem to give it but little thought and expect it to be over in a few months.

Mr. D. R. Bright was here Tuesday from Arah. He is building a new residence in place of the one that was fired and destroyed by lightning some time ago.

Snyder Record was designated as the official paper for the City. The following prices were agreed to for the publishing of City Ordinances: First ten lines of any ordinance free and ten cents per line for each additional line.

The Board of Equalizers were instructed to meet on the third Monday in May to hold their first meeting.

Lewis Blackard was granted a permit to drive a motor vehicle within the city limits.

The matter of opening a street between the property of G. A. Glen and W. W. Livingston was referred to the street and bridge committee.

Motion carried that the Mayor appoint a Police committee. The Mayor appointed the following committee: J. W. Massey, T. J. Blackburn and J. J. Burnett.

There being no further business to come before the Council, adjournment was taken.

AFTER SEVERAL DAYS OF COOL, THREATENING WEATHER RAIN AN INCH FELL

Last Saturday and Sunday some real heavy rains in West Texas. A strong cold wind here in from the north and east. A light rain with a mixture of snow and sleet fell here Saturday night. Overcoats and other winter things articles of preparation were applicable everywhere and heat were put back in commission and the coal man was on the firing line. Garden stuff drew up into knots and barely escaped serious damage.

Some frost was formed Monday morning on bridges and in low places. It was an unusual heavy and up to 3:00 o'clock. The Record's press time about a half an inch has fallen with prospects for more.

About noon Thursday fine clouds came up from the south and with it came the welcome rain which has continued all Thursday afternoon, and up to 3:00 o'clock. The Record's press time about a half an inch has fallen with prospects for more.

ROUND UP CLUB IN BUSINESS MEETING

The Round-Up Club held a regular business meeting at the club rooms Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, with President J. P. Chambliss presiding and Secretary J. A. Kunkin on duty. Mr. Kunkin was recently elected to succeed Will Warren who has moved to Fort Worth.

Regular routine business was transacted. A new lock was ordered placed on the entrance door and all outstanding country keys were ordered called in. The music committee was given more time in selecting a piano for the club.

Two applications were elected to membership.

The club is in a flourishing condition and many talks were made for the good of the club.

Resolutions were adopted to evade state right pertaining to war conditions and demands were ordered granted to members desiring to enter the service of our country.

HARRY SPANNELL CONVICTED OF MURDER OF BUTLER

Harry J. Spannall was given a sentence of five years in the penitentiary on a charge of killing Maj. M. C. Butler, at Alpine, last July. Spannall was charged with killing his wife and Butler when they went for an automobile drive at Alpine. Butler was an army officer and was at the same hotel with Spannall and wife and it is said he was forward in forcing his attentions upon Mr. Spannall. These attentions worked on the feelings of Spannall until a double tragedy resulted. Spannall was tried in San Angelo in February for the killing of his wife and was acquitted. On charge of killing Butler, Spannall was tried last week at Coleman and was given five years in the penitentiary.

The case was appealed.

COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETS AND PROVIDES FOR BIGGER AND BETTER SCHOOLS

The people of Favers District No. 1 petitioned the county board to consolidate their school with the Faversham school, which petition was gladly granted. This was with the understanding that Faversham was to furnish free transportation to the children of the Favers school. The Faversham district sent a similar petition to their county board in Scurry county. With these two districts consolidated with Faversham there is no reason why this school should not be one of the best in this part of the country. They already have a good building, and it is large enough to accommodate all who will want to attend.

The Pryor district No. 2 asked to be consolidated with Santa Fe No. 18. The County Law district No. 21 did the same, and both these were consolidated. Also the district just across the Faversham County line was added to this same district, making four districts in one. These people are planning big things and they have the courage to carry them to completion. A new building will have to be erected to take care of the children that will come to this school. Now is the time to build something that will be a credit to the community and that will be lost but I feel sure that some will hold back and retard the development of a splendid school at Pryor Texas.

The Rennie and Bookout school districts were re-established as at to take in all of the Whitley district No. 29, also Ash and Moon were re-established so as to take in Joe Bailey No. 47.

Several schools have already paid taxes on themselves and are planning to have better schools another year than they have had this last year. There is something that the people of any country can do that will be more lasting for themselves and their children than to give to their children a Christian education. Let's all put our shoulders to the wheel and make old Scurry county the best county in this great state of ours. We can do it if we will all do our best.

Sincerely yours,
B. D. BLACK,
County Superintendent.

Mobilizing Resources IN TEXAS THIS WEEK

Dallas, Texas, May 10.—This is "Mobilization Week" in Texas. Mass meetings for women are being held throughout the State for the purpose of taking stock of the fruit and vegetable resources of the districts and of preparing for canning and food preparation demonstration in neighborhoods and towns. County Judges issued calls for the mass meetings. The week's work is the result of a decision at a meeting of representatives of the leading statewide women's organizations. Mrs. Percy Pennebaker of Austin heads the movement.

METHODIST LADIES HOLD CONFERENCE

THE METHODIST WOMEN HOLD GREAT CONVENTION IN SNYDER THIS WEEK

MANY DELEGATES ARE HERE

Interesting and Beneficial Programs Rendered at Every Service Much Interest Taken

Snyder has been honored for two days this week. Wednesday and Thursday by the presence of a large body of Methodist Women at the Methodist church. It is the regular annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Big Spring and Sweetwater Districts.

Visitors began to arrive on the early train Wednesday morning and many came by auto so that when the meeting was called to order at 10 A. M. in the Methodist church there were probably three hundred women present, including officers, delegates, visitors and many of our home people.

After the opening hymn, devotional services were conducted by Mrs. J. W. Mayne.

Mrs. E. H. Bayne presided at the piano throughout the entire convention.

A vocal solo was rendered by Mrs. W. C. Phillips.

Mrs. W. M. Curry, president of the local auxiliary delivered the address of Welcome to which Mrs. W. L. Edmondson of Lovine, responded.

Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. E. P. Dunn of Tule, led the devotional. Mrs. Clifton Perkins of Snyder favored the audience with a vocal solo.

Working subjects were discussed by Mrs. Garvin of Colorado, Mrs. Williams of Mescal, Mrs. Bell of Sweetwater, Mrs. Manning of Trent and Mrs. Towle of Snyder.

The night session was opened by Mrs. Griswold. The Young Peoples' Praise was well rendered and Mrs. Smith of Sweetwater made a good address.

The Young People's Praise was nicely rendered Wednesday night under the direction of Mrs. Harrold of Colorado. The praise was given by Misses Harrington, Estelle Smith, Gladys Smith, Loretta Smith, Lucille, Elsie, Gladys, Mary, and Mrs. Harrold.

Mrs. R. G. Davenport of Snyder rendered a vocal number.

Thursday's session opened with devotionals by Mrs. Harrold of Colorado and a vocal solo by Mrs. J. W. Mayne.

Papers were read of Mrs. Freda of Big Spring, Mrs. Warkentin of Harrold and Mrs. Morris of Colorado.

Thursday afternoon devotionals were conducted by Mrs. Cline of Seminole. Mrs. Coleman of Snyder rendered a vocal solo.

Talks on missionary work were made by Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Kewell, Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Smith.

It was a pleasant and profitable meeting. Visitors were met by committee ladies and taken to private homes assigned and their all expressed pleasure in being here.

Mrs. J. B. Smith of Sagerton is president of the Society and Mrs. Verdena Barnes of Big Springs is secretary and to those officers the signal makes grateful acknowledgment for the valuable aid in getting a report of the meeting.

They are a splendid body of women, well alive to all the details of church and missionary work, and they know how to render a convention. It has been a pleasure to have them in our city. Social and religious ties have been strengthened and broader vision of the Master's cause are developed. Many good papers and addresses have been given during the session.

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J. A. Morrison and family are visiting the home folks at Miles.

Miss Olive Greenwood of Colorado is the guest of Mrs. J. P. Morgan in West Snyder.

SOUTHERN VETER-ANS AND POSTERITY

A GREAT NATIONAL RELIEF MOVEMENT UNDER WAY. RED CROSS SOCIETY

MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY

Baptist Church Monday Afternoon at 4 O'clock—Large Attendance Desired.

There was an interesting meeting of Camp 101 Scurry Monday afternoon, with Comrade B. P. Davis presiding.

The matter of sending delegates to the reunion to be held in Washington City was up for consideration and B. P. Davis and G. M. D. Garner will probably represent this camp.

The Camp voted to instruct delegates to work to get the annual meetings in always be held west of the Mississippi river. It is believed that at least three-fourths of the living veterans are in this territory.

A committee consisting of B. P. Davis, G. M. D. Garner and J. R. Hardy was appointed to see the railroad agents here regarding reduced rates for delegates from here to Fort Worth.

The Veterans then went to the Public Auditorium to take part in the meeting to be held to discuss the organization of a camp of Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy and to discuss the forming of a local auxiliary of the Red Cross and the launching a movement for a canning and preserving campaign to succor the products of the county to feed people at home and the soldiers at war.

After some conference along these lines it was decided best to postpone the organization work for a week so that everybody may know about it. It was then announced that a general meeting will be held at the Baptist church at 4 o'clock next Monday May 14 to move out along these lines.

The signal hopes to see here a camp of Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy whose purpose is to keep sacred the Confederate cause and preserve a true history of that period.

Posthumous war country is now engaged in a new and grand struggle to maintain American dignity and rights on sea and land.

The future of America, young manhood may be called to the colors to defend the principles of national honor and world justice. There will now be as at home for all the aid we can give them. They will need nurses and the Red Cross will be there to render first aid. This organization has been the ministering angel to thousands of sick and wounded soldiers and every town in the nation ought to maintain an auxiliary band to help in this grand undertaking.

Then comes the time of production and conservation of food and clothing for the men at the front. Every available acre of land should be made to produce something and it is gratifying to note that the spirit of patriotic activity in taking hold, gardening clubs have been formed and independent effort is being made outside of clubs to grow something and the result will be that our gardens and fields will respond and the soldiers will be fed if we can get the stuff to them. To that end we must give attention. We want to organize a canning, preserving and drying club right here in Snyder to take care of the fruit and vegetables in season so that some may be lost. We will need a shipping committee whose function is to keep in touch with markets and transportation facilities so that our products may reach the soldiers when they need them. We must have a system in the handling and especially should the country grow upon any man so unpolitic as to endeavor to hoard his stuff for high prices.

Let us all co-operate in these movements and come together next Monday afternoon at the Baptist church and go to show us as a people harmoniously alive to the responsibilities resting upon us.